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WASHINGTON – Congressman Charles F. Bass (NH-02) held a telephone town hall meeting this afternoon with over 5,200 seniors in the Second Congressional District about how our nation can preserve and protect Medicare for future generations.

Bass answered a number of questions chosen at random during the hour-long call, ranging from reducing Medicare fraud to seeking solutions to ensure Medicare's solvency.

Bass said:

"While telephone town hall meetings can never substitute for the real thing, they give me a chance to reach thousands of constituents while I am working in Washington and hear firsthand their questions and comments about issues such as preserving Medicare. I enjoyed our discussion today and encourage constituents to visit my website (bass.house.gov) for information about the next one."

Bass also conducted two polls during the call, the results of which are below:

Question 1: How do you think your children's and grandchildren's quality of life will be, compared to yours?

Better = 9 percent Worse = 65 percent The same = 26 percent

Question 2: Do you think Congress should preserve and protect Medicare at this time?

Yes = 80 percent No = 9 percent Not sure = 11 percent

In addition to hosting telephone town hall meetings from Washington on a regular basis, Bass has already held four in-person town hall meetings in Salem, Jefferson, Hillsborough, and Colebrook, with plans to conduct many more throughout the year.

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